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REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

In reply to the Examiner's Action mailed August 17, 1998, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

Kindly amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

✓ Cancel claims 11-16 and 21-24, without prejudice.

Amend claims 1-4, 18, 27, and 28, as follows.

1. (Amended) A synthetic gene encoding a protein normally expressed in an eukaryotic cell wherein at least one non-preferred or less preferred codon in a natural gene encoding said protein has been replaced by a preferred codon encoding the same

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